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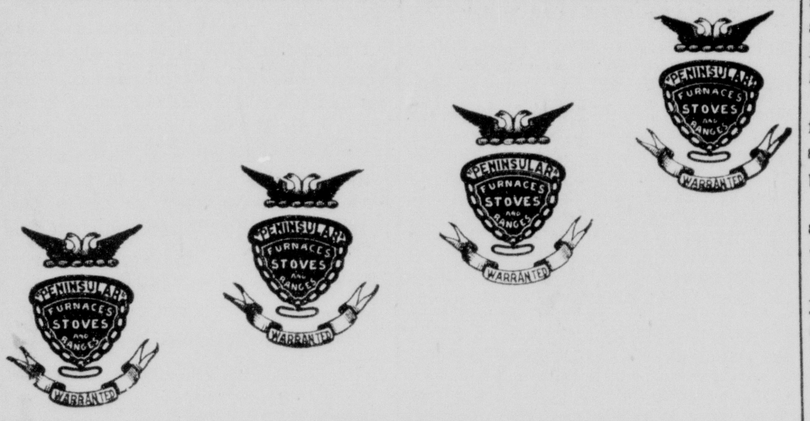

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VERY LATEST.

KENTUCKY MUDDLE.

Governor Taylor Law-abiding—Refuses Protocol—Peace In View.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 10.—Governor Taylor has decided to allow the legislature (both Democratic and Republican branches) to assemble at the capital of Kentucky and permit even a corrupt law to take its course.

He has refused to sign the agreement made at Louisville by a committee of Republicans and Democrats; the pretext of which was to prevent civil war.

Troops will be at once ordered away from the Capital.

It looks as though the Goebelites would complete the steal of the state offices.

CAPTAIN RACKET.

Benefit for the Dixon Drum and Bugle Corps to be Given Tuesday, February 13th.

Our readers will find folded into this evening's TELEGRAPH a bill which they are asked to read with attention. It is the program of an entertainment to be given by the Dixon Regulation Drum and Bugle Corps on the evening of Tuesday, February 13. The persons who will take part have given their services to the boys gratis and it remains for the citizens of Dixon to do the rest—fill the opera house with a good audience. Putting aside the question of its being a benefit performance, the audience will certainly "get the worth of its money." Miss Hazel Barber is a popular young lady whose many friends will want to hear her render a selection on her favorite instrument—the violin. Master George Walker, the boy soprano of St. Luke's Episcopal choir, will please all with his clear voice. The three athletes, J. Knaple, J. Fee and W. Stuckey, will give a fine acrobatic exhibition. John Hoban, Walter Geiger and Charles Franklin, who work under the stage name of the "Harris Brothers," will have some laughable character dances and sketches. Prof. C. C. Burkart has assembled a grand mandolin chorus and has them well trained. Charles Franklin has a fine voice and will be heard in the latest song of the day.

"Captain Racket," a comedy full of funny situations, is given, as will be seen, by a number of well known young people of this city.

The Henderson Shoe Factory Band and Prof. W. H. Smith's Orchestra will assist the boys.

Give the boys encouragement by your presence. Reserved seat chart is now open at C. A. Todd's store.

Debate at Fulton.

Three members of the Steinmann Institute participated in a debate last evening at Fulton with students of the Fulton College. About fifteen went down from here. The Dixon debaters were Clarence Brooks, C. G. Stetzler and Ray Broughton and the question discussed: "Resolved that the signs of the times indicate the downfall of the Republic." Our boys were on the unpopular side, the affirmative, and the fact that the judges were Fulton men may also have had its influence, so that Dixon lost the debate. Our boys regret the defeat, yet are glad that people do not take a pessimistic view of the condition of our country.

Card Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vail last evening entertained some sixty guests in honor of Miss Katie Mullooly, who is here for a visit. An hour's social converse was succeeded by a progressive card game at which the head prizes were won by Miss Elizabath Nagle and William Vaughn, while the foot prizes went to Elizabeth McMahon and John Ford. Bountiful refreshments were served.

Funeral of Wm. H. O'Neil.

The funeral service over the body of Wm. H. O'Neil will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the Methodist church at Franklin Grove. The Knights of Pithias of DeKalb will have charge of the service and will come down from DeKalb by special train.

—Jason C. Ayres and wife left yesterday for a few weeks' trip in the south. They will visit New Orleans, Mobile and other cities.

S. W. S. DANCE.

The Young Ladies are Popular Entertainers and Scored a Brilliant Success.

The young ladies of the S. W. S., a popular social club with a mysterious, undivulged name, gave a dance last night which was the greatest success, socially and financially, of any event which they have undertaken.

The party was given in the new building of Rob. H. Howell, corner of Peoria avenue and First street, the use of which the owner very kindly donated to the young ladies. The large ground floor room, with its smooth hard wood floor, was fitted up as a dancing hall. Large flags were draped against the walls, and the sides of the room were made attractive with screens and rugs and palms. Fully three hundred guests were present and the handsome gowns and flitting figures made a shifting scene of beauty. Music of rare sweetness, pronounced by some as the finest ever presented at such an occasion, was rendered by the Polo orchestra and called forth an encore after each dance. The program included all the usual dances. The early part of the evening was occupied largely with square dances, while later round pances predominated. The efficient and attentive floor committee were Messrs. Rob Howell, Fred Dimick, George Downing, E. Goodrich and David H. Law.

On the second floor the guests were ushered to convenient dressing rooms by Masters Gordon Utley and Lewis Woodruff. Beyond these rooms were two parlors graced by three card tables where the young people could amuse themselves while they rested and chatted. In the remotest part of the chain of rooms was the cosiest retreat imaginable, or "The Den," as it was called. The walls were hung with heavy draperies; rugs were strewn upon the floor; couches and divans buried in soft pillows brought a feeling of rest even by their appearance, while the glare of the light was softened as it shone thru a pretty Japanese lantern. The dreaminess of the Orient permeated the place.

The dining room was a revelation of beauty. Palms and screens relieved the corners. A dozen small tables, with neatly arranged service, were artistically placed. In the center of the room rested a large table, and over its snowy spread trailed green smilax while pink ribbons added their brightness to the effect. This table was set with sparkling cut glass and gleaming silver and was presided over by Mesdames Owens and Shields. Twelve ladies, immediate friends of the members of the S. W. S., assisted in serving the refreshments, which included sandwiches, olives and coffee, cakes and sherbet.

The young ladies worked hard for the success of their party and they could not have hoped for a happier culmination of their undertaking.

Many guests were present from out of town, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. McAllister and Mrs. Lingel of Sterling, Mrs. Chas. Broad and Eugene Belton of Mendota, Miss Dick of Rockford, Miss Thompson and Mr. Spear of Chicago, Messrs. Will Schell, Pearl Herrick and Hugh Griffin of Polo.

Swindled by a Train Boy.

A young man and his sister by the name of Hummler took the Illinois Central train this morning at Henkel station for Dixon, in order to go by the C. & N. W. Ry to Odeboldt, Iowa, to visit relatives. On the train before reaching this city the young man got the train boy to change for him a $20 bill. In making the change, which was largely in small bills, the boy managed to retain $5 or more of the young man's money. The deficiency was not discovered until he went to the N. W. ticket office to purchase tickets for himself and sister, when he found he had not enough money left for that purpose. Leaving the lady in the depot, he took the next train for Henkel to borrow enough to make the trip. The girl, however, in the meantime hadn't a cent with which to provide herself with dinner. She was however taken care of, and this afternoon the young man returned on a freight, and the two started on the second stage of their journey; in which it is hoped they will meet with no more such embarrassing episodes.

Knights of the Globe.

Important meeting of Jno. Dixon Garrison No. 38, will be held next Monday evening, February 12th, several new members will be initiated. The renting a new hall is to be decided by the Garrison at this meeting. A large attendance is desired. Refreshments will be served. A pleasant time will be enjoyed by all in attendance.

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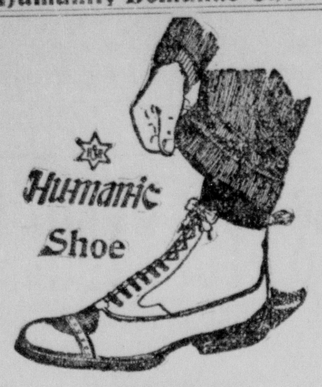

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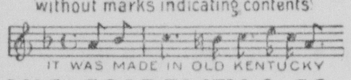

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Rowland Bros.

—Mrs. Jacob Myers is quite ill.

—W. A. Schuler went to Chicago this morning.

—Rehearsal of "Captain Racket" this evening.

—Dixon Corps No. 218 W. R. C. will meet Monday.

—Atty. Charles Barge went to Chicago this morning.

—W. B Page and A. R. Ashley went east this morning.

—J. V. Thomas came home from Chicago last evening.

—W. J. McAlpine and wife and J. W. Crawford left this morning for Hot Springs, Ark.

—Champ Barth, a well known Dixon boy, will soon leave for Paris, France, in the interest of a St. Louis shoe firm.

—Mrs. C. E. Haynes has arrived from Bloomington to join her husband, who is cashier at the Illinois Central office.

—A saloon keeper at Rochelle was fined $67.75 for keeping his saloon open on Sunday. He talks of coming to Dixon.

—Alfred Morey is quite ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harry Stewart, at 506 College avenue. He is 78 years of age.

—The Mendota Sun says that S. H. Spafford of Amboy is having good success in that city and elsewhere organizing garrisons of Knights of the Globe.

—Among the Dixon visitors at Franklin Grove this week mentioned in the Reporter, are A. U. Thomas, L. M. Zug, A. Chiverton, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hey, Mr. and Mrs. M. Eckert and Miss Gertie Warner.

Warm Lover.

An Iowa girl has raised a ridiculous row, and is at present being generally laffed at, poor thing!

When she and her lover parted, he to go the Philippines, she promised to write regularly once a week, and he promised to retaliate.

So they yum-yumed, and parted.

She took he pen in hand, and wrote and wrote and wrote. But never a reply did she receive.

She got mad. She had written 24 letters.

She wrote to the Postmaster General at Washington, complaining of the Philippine postal service.

While the Postmaster General is hired to interest himself in the mails, he is interested in the females on the side.

He cabled to the Philippines.

The message flashed to Europe, to Suez, to Aden, Singapore, Bombay, Calcutta, Hong Kong, and finally to Manila. It cost $3 per word.

The military general in command of the Iowa troops reported to the colonel, the colonel to the major, the major to the captain, and the captain hunted up the private, the derelict lover.

He was drowsing in the shade of a banyan.

He yawned, shook himself, and lazily admitted that he had received every one of the 24 letters; but had answered none of them, "because it was too hot."

He then said he would write and rebuke the girl for having made such a fuss, thus exposing their love affairs to the nations of the earth.

So the captain reported to the major, the major to the colonel, the colonel to the general, and the general to the Postmaster General, thru Hong Kong, Calcutta, Bombay, Singapore, Aden, Suez, Europe, to Washington, saying:

"He did not write. Said it was too hot."—Geneseo News.

File Right!

"Gummy, what a bed," said a Georgia tramp, as he laid down to sleep between two graves in a cemetery.

Deep in the night he was awakened by a queer noise.

Sitting up, he looked about. A negro convict was filing an iron off his leg.

The tramp arose and moved toward the negro.

The negro dropped his file: His jaw fell. His eyes started from their sockets. He believed the tramp to be a ghost.

"File right!" commanded the tramp. 'March!"

And he marched him to the prison, and received $20 reward for the return of an escaped convict.—Geneseo News.

Latest Puzzle.

A biker asked a farmer,
"Has a lady wheeled this way?"
And the farmer told the biker,
"It's mighty hard to say,
From the costumes they are wearing,
From the mountains to the sea,
If the biker is a she one,
Or a biker is a he!"

—The Roseleaf.

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FORCED TO RETREAT.

Gen. Buller's Third Attempt to Relieve Ladysmith Results in Failure.

ABANDON KOPJE AT MOLEN'S DRIFT

After a Bombardment by Boer Cannon and Retire to Their Former Position Across the Tugela River—Nothing Is Known of His Movements—Badly in Need of Reinforcements—Wilkinson's Views of the Situation.

London, Feb. 9, Midnight.—The war office announces that it has no further news to give out tonight.

London, Feb. 10.—A dispatch to The Morning Post from Modder River, dated Thursday, says that General Macdonald's and General Babbington's force will return shortly and adds that the initiative to the reconnoissance emanated from headquarters.

London, Feb. 10.—The colonial office has received a dispatch contradicting the report that the Boers had shot Messrs. John McLaughlin, Jr., and Robbins and Harrismith for refusing to be commandered.

London, Feb. 10.—The Daily Telegraph announces that General Sir Francis Clery is on the way to England invalided.

London, Feb. 10.—A dispatch to The Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg says that Lady Randolph Churchill has visited Chievely camp.

Boer Head Laager, Ladysmith, Thursday, Feb. 8.—The British who were in possession of the kopje at Molen's drift abandoned it after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela river to their former position. A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

BELIEVE REPORT TRUE.

London Seems Convinced That Buller Has Recrossed the Tugela.

London, Feb. 10, 4:20 a. m.—London accepts as true the Boer statement that General Buller has failed again These statements were passed by the British censor at Aden and are read in the light of Balfour's announcement in the commons that General Buller is not pressing his advance.

Winston Churchill wires that Vaal Krantz was impracticable for the guns which were needed to support a further advance. His cablegram leaves General Buller on Tuesday night sending a fresh brigade to relieve the tired holders of Vaal Krantz.

The descriptive writers with General Buller were allowed a rather free hand again in explaining the ugly position which the British held and the natural obstacles which had to be overcome. So it is easy to infer that with Boer riflemen and artillery defending them these hills, ravines and jungles have not been overcome and thus the public is prepared in advance for bad news.

Heliograms from Ladysmith, dated Monday, describe the effect General Buller's cannonade had on the worn garrison. Hope ran high that the long period of inactivity and tedium was drawing to a close. The crash of guns was almost continuous for ten hours, and at times it seemed as if as many as twenty shells burst in a minute. The Boers, preparing always for the possibility of defeat, were driving herds and sending long wagon trains towards the Drakensberg passes. Intense darkness and silence followed, broken only by frogs croaking and the occasional blaze of star shells, surrounding the town with a circle of light to prevent the unobserved approach of the enemy. A series of British mines, laid for the Boers, exploded accidentally, shaking and alarming the city and camp.

General MacDonald's retirement puzzles the military commentors. The theory that finds acceptance is that it was ordered by Lord Roberts and that both General Buller's and General MacDonald's operations were by the direction of the commander-in-chief, in order to occupy the Boers at widely separated points, so they would be unable to transfer any portion of their forces to oppose the projected central advance.

Charles Williams, a military writer who is understood to be in confidential relations with Lord Wolseley, says that beyond doubt the most authoritative opinion in London regards it as probable that an endeavor will be made to force the line of the Orange river before Wednesday next, possibly by Monday.

A dispatch to The Times from Koodoosberg, dated Thursday, Feb. 8, says: "It is reported that Boer reinforcements are arriving from Magersfontein. Our position is easily tenable, but the entire force has been ordered to return to Modder river tomorrow."

The Times has the following from Kimberley, dated Feb. 8: "The Boer big guns shelled us all day yesterday but nobody was killed."

A special dispatch from Spearman's camp, dated yesterday (Friday) noon, says that owing to the Boer cross fire and the impossibility of intrenching Vaal Krantz, General Buller's force withdrew.

The Financial News, which publishes this dispatch, suggests that General Buller has not yet actually recrossed the Tugela.

OPERATIONS PUZZLING.

It Seems Gen. Buller Never Contemplated the Relief of Ladysmith.

London, Feb. 10.—In The Morning Post yesterday Spenser Wilkinson, reviewing the military situation, says: "Lord Roberts is evidently about to begin his campaign and there are signs that General Methuen's force will make the first important move. It is probable that the Seventh division will soon be heard of as co-operating with Methuen. The latest news regarding General Buller's operations is puzzling. It looks now as if he never seriously contemplated an attempt to relieve Ladysmith, but only a demonstration to prevent the Boers from diverting reinforcements to Magersfontein.

"Looking to the distance from Ladysmith to Kimberley, a journey in which the Boers would get little railway help for the transport of their forces, Lord Roberts has a clear week for the first blow, which will put a new face upon the situation. This hypothesis would account for the present state of things in both the theaters of war and the peculiarities of the attacks on Monday and Tuesday would become intelligible, for, if they had been intended as a serious movement, General Buller would have been largely reinforced and would have pushed the attack with greater energy."

Buller Not Pressing an Advance.

London, Feb. 10.—Balfour, the government leader, replying to a question in the house of commons yesterday evening as to whether any information had been received from the seat of war, said: "Our information points to the fact that General Buller is not pressing an advance from the position he has occupied. We do not consider it right to press him for details of the operations which are in progress, nor if he gives such information, do we deem it proper to make this public until such operations are completed. The government had no information as to whether General Macdonald has retired."

Another Attempt Not Likely.

London, Feb. 10.—The Times, dealing with the military situation, says, "If General Buller has failed, it seems unlikely another attempt will be made. The terrible initial strategic mistake of abandoning the principal objective for a subsidiary operation still overweights the campaign but the time approaches when its baneful influence will cease to fetter our action. The great issues of the war will not be decided in Natal." General Macdonald's retirement The Times considers "inexplicable."

Writing Paper Scarce.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 10.—A private letter has been received from Tod Snider, a well-known member of the first Canadian contingent, to go to South Africa. It is dated at Belmont, Jan. 1, and is written entirely on beer bottle labels. Snider explains that writing paper was scarce.

Comment on British Strategy.

Berlin, Feb. 10.—The Militair-Wochenblatt reviewing the fighting on the Tugela river characterizes the British strategy there as most unfavorable. Two German officers on the active list, Von Knawski and Fritzdorff, have just published an able book on the South African war.

British Bark Seized.

Durban, Feb. 10.—The British bark Birkdale, with contraband, has been seized by the British.

TURMOIL IN THE HOUSE

DISCUSSION OF PENSION BILLS

Causes Scenes Which Brings to Mind the Stirring and Exciting Times of the Fifty-First Congress.

Washington, Feb. 10.—There was a scene at the night session of the house last night which momentarily recalled the stirring and exciting days of the Fifty-first congress. An irate member rushed down the main aisle brandishing his arms and shouting for recognition, while half the Democratic members were on their feet execrating the occupant of the chair for what they termed his arbitrary course, and from several places in the hall came loud hisses. Last Friday night Talbert, Democrat, of South Carolina, blocked private pension legislation because there was no quorum present and threatened to continue to do so at every subsequent Friday night session unless a quorum was present.

His warning had no effect. There was an unusually large attendance when the house was called to order at 8 o'clock last night. Speaker Henderson himself was in the chair and the galaries, usually empty at night sessions, were crowded in anticipation of a lively time. Talbert made good his threat as soon as the motion was made to go into committee of the whole but the roll call showed the presence of a score or more of members in excess of a quorum. The friends of private pension bills were jubilant.

Hepburn was called to preside over the committee of the whole and the clerk read the first bill. Talbert arsoe leisurely while three bills were being put through the legislative stages, and final passage, and addressed the chair. He was completely ignored. By this time the whole Democratic side was aroused. A dozen members were on their feet. Tabert, thoroughly augered, started down the main aisle shouting: "Mr. Chairman," Mr. Chairman," as he approached. He reached the area in front of the speaker's rostrum all the while roaring out his denunciation of the chairman's arbitrary course before the chairman condescended to recognize him.

Democrats all about were also shouting their disapproval. The Republicans seemed to be enjoying the storm which the chairman's course had raised. Talbert rapidly cooled down after he had been recognized and explained in a brief speech that the presence of a quorum had completely vindicated his position. The committee then proceeded with the consideration of pension bills and thirty-five were favorably acted upon. At 10:30 the house adjourned.

As no senator was prepared to proceed with a discussion of the finance measure yesterday the senate transacted only routine business and adjourned early to enable members to attend the obsequies of General Lawton.

Hospital Ship Missouri Arrives.

San Francisco, Feb. 10.—The hospital ship Missouri was lying in the harbor at Honolulu when the steamer Alameda left that port. The Missouri reported an exceedingly rough passage after leaving Nagasaki, and during that trip sixteen of her passengers died, most of them from wounds received in the war and from dysentery. The Missouri had 272 sick and wounded soldiers on board when she started from Manila.

Diamond Robbers at Work.

Louisville, Feb. 10.—Rodgers & Kruli, jewelers, were robbed last evening of $3,000 worth of diamonds. Two men entered the store and while one engaged Rodgers in conversation the other secreted a tray of diamonds. The robbery was not discovered until an hour after the men left the store. The police have a good description of the men and out-going trains are being watched for their departure.

CONFIDENCE SHARKS

Work a Very Bold Swindle on a Hotel Proprietor of Lincoln.

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For a Farm Supposed To Be Worth $50 an Acre—Strange Adventures of a Boxed Corpse—Woman's Peculiar Plea to a Charge of Shoplifting—State Supreme Court Upholds the Tax Decision—Carterville Riot Case.

Lincoln, Ills., Feb. 10.—W. S. Mitchell, of Harrisburg, Ills., and Edward Rimmerman, of Springfield, are under arrest charged with practicing a confidence game on Benjamin F. Coffman, properietor of the Spitley hotel in this city. Mitchell was arrested at Erie, Ills., where he was in possession of a hotel valued at $13,000 which he obtained in trade for a farm of 230 acres on a small mountain in Saline county, Ills., alleged to be worth only a dollar an acre, but said to have been represented to Coffman to be worth from $40 to $50.

Substituted Valueless Land.

Mitchell, Rimmerman and others are charged with showing Coffman a fine farm in Saline county well worth $50 an acre, but upon the exchange substituting land practically valueless. Coffman discovered the alleged swindle thirty days following the transaction by the agent of a corporation loaning money investigating the land prior to making a loan thereon for Coffman of $5,000. Mitchell was brought here yesterday and placed in the county jail. Rimmerman at a late hour last night had been unable to furnish bonds.

WIFE REPLEVINS CORPSE.

Strange Aduenture of the Boxed Remains of John Faulkner.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—It required the aid of the police for Mrs. John Faulkner to get possession of the remains of her husband, who died in Mexico four weeks ago. While Mrs Faulkner, as the widow of the man whose body is contended for, claims the remains, her brother-in-law, Victor J. Bastian, says he has the right to bury them, and although he has been dispossessed, he declares he will get an injunction restaining the widow. For three days two undertakers waited at the depot for the train on which the remains had been shipped. Mrs Faulkner employed Gavin & Co. and James Bradley & Sons were employed by Bastian.

Bradley & Sons got the body, and when Mrs Faulkner learned of this she demanded the remains. Captain Colleran was told that the body had been stolen, and he sent Detectives Halpin and Beck to investigate. The officers found that the undertakers were acting in good faith, and they refused to have anything to do with the matter. Captain Colleran then advised that a civil proceedings be begun to get the body, and Mrs Faulkner went before Justice Wallace and took out a writ of replevin. To get small bonds she placed the value of the corpse of her husband and the casket in which it lay at $25, and she was allowed to sign her own bond of $50.

WOMAN'S PECULIAR PLEA.

Clairvoyant Prophesied She Would Either Be Arrested or Become Insane.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—A unique plea was made by Mrs. Annie Tanner when arraigned before Justice Eberhart yesterday on the charge of shoplifting by Madigan Bros., dry goods dealers. "I took the goods for a purpose," said Mrs. Tanner with great self-possession. "A year ago a clairvoyant told me that by the end of the twelve months I would be either arrested or put in an insane asylum, and, not wishing to become insane, I resolved to steal so that I would be sent to prison. Had I not done this I am convinced I would soon have become a lunatic."

D. J. Madigan, the prosecuting witness, had asserted that the prisoner had been watched by employes of his store for about a year, as she had been thought to have taken goods before. The justice changed the charge to disorderly conduct and imposed a $10 fine, which was paid.

Upholds Decision.

Springfield, Feb. 10.—The supreme court yesterday morning affirmed the judgment of Judge Tuley's court in Chicago, in the cases of Phillip Knopf, county clerk of Cook county vs. city of Chicago and the board of education. A formal opinion of the court will be handed down later. The opinion holds that section 49, of the revenue law, limiting aggregate tax levies of cities in Cook county to 5 per cent, assessed valuation, and in line with the court's holding in the Stuckart case last term.

Former Mayor Is Released.

Carlyle, Ills., Feb. 10.—Ex-Mayor Lambe, of this city, who was convicted of forgery a year ago and sentenced to serve a term in the state prison at Chester, has been released on parole and has returned to his family. His release was secured by the influence of prominent citizens, who circulated a petition in his behalf a few weeks ago. Lambe was at one time a leading attorney, enjoying a lucrative practice, but became financially involved through bad investments.

Armour's Will.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—The will of the late P. D. Armour, Jr., which is supposed to dispose of an estate of $6,000,000, will be filed for probate before long, and much speculation is indulged in as to the possible bequests to Armour institute and other Armour charities. The will is now in the hands of the estate's attorneys.

Jury Nearly Secured.

Vienna, Ills., Feb. 10.—Yesterday, the seventeenth day of the trail of the twelve Carterville striking miners, charged with the murder of five non-union miners in the riot at Carterville Sept. 17, the tenth juror was secured. The jury may be completed to day.

Meets with a Peculiar Death.

Colconda, Ills., Feb. 10.—Lon Smith met a tragic death in a peculiar manner. His dog playfully leaped on him, when its paws struck the hammer of a gun upon which he was leaning, discharging it. He died instantly.

WORST KIND OF CASE.

We Will Tell You If You Will Believe it.

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It is our aim to help the sick, and for that reason we publish the statements of the people in different parts of the country who have used Morrow's Kidneoids for backache, sleeplessness, nervousness and urinary trouble, and the afflicted may know that there is a remedy that will cure such ailments. Morrow's Kidneoids will cure, a trial convinces.

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SETTLEMENT IN SIGHT

Late Reports from Kentucky Indicate the Agreement Will Be Signed.

WAS A DAY OF MANY CONFERENCES

All Sessions Were Held in Secret and the Participants Refuse to Divulge the Proceedings—Democratic Branch Legislature Holds a Session in Louisville—Governor Beckham Says He Will Protect the Members from Arrest.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 10.—"I say, he will sign, and he will sign within two hours. This is positive." This statement was made by one of the most prominent Democrats in the state who said that he did not wish his name used, as it might embarrass those who were trying to induce Governor Taylor to sign; when the statement made by Governor Taylor to the Associated Press was taken to the council of Democrats, who were in the Capitol hotel, waiting for word from him.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 10.—Governor Taylor did not yesterday afternoon sign the Louisville peace agreement. He announced moreover that he had no intention of doing so for some time, and did not know whether he would sign it at all. On the other hand the Democrats were confident that he would affix his signature to the document.

A Day of Conferences.

Yesterday was a day of conferences in Frankfort. They were in full swing from 10:30 in the morning until 5:30 at night, and outwardly nothing tangible resulted from them. The situation last night was to all appearances exactly where it was when the peace agreement was first submitted to Governor Taylor. On the morning train from Louisville came the Republican attorney, David W. Fairleigh and Judge John W. Barr, both of whom were members of the Louisville conference on the Republican side. Immediately upon arrival Fairleigh called upon Senator Blakburn at the Capitol hotel, and after a few words with him went in company with Judge Barr and General Dan Lindsay to the office of Governor Taylor.

Roberts Called From Lexington.

A conference was held there from 11 o'clock until 1 o'clock when an adjournment was taken. Later in the afternoon Sam J. Roberts, of Lexington, came to Frankfort in response to a telegram from Governor Taylor, and was closeted with him for some time. Shortly after 3 o'clock General Lindsay, Judge Barr, Attorney Fairleigh and T. L. Edelen called at the executive office and at once went into a conference with Governor Taylor, a conference which lasted until 5:30 p. m. In the meantime Secretary of State Caleb Powers, Attorney General C. J. Pratt and later Adjutant General Collier entered the governor's office and took part in the deliberations.

"Governor Will Not Sign."

About 4:30 p. m. Governor Taylor and Secretary of State Powers came out of the governor's office, and held a low whispered conversation outside the door. Governor Taylor then re-entered the room and Powers left the building. "The governor will not sign the agreement," said Powers as he walked out the door. Further than that, however, he would say nothing. At 5:30 p. m. the conference came to a conclusion. It was impossible to learn the result of the protracted debate. Every one of those who took part in the conference preserved a sphinx-like silence in regard to what transpired behind the governor's door, absolutely refusing to discuss the matter in any way.

Judge Barr Leaves Town.

From the governor's office General Lindsay, Judge Barr, Attorney Fairleigh and Edelen went at once to General Lindsay's law office, where a brief conference was held, and the course of action to be pursued discussed, and shortly after 6 o'clock Judge Barr and Attorney Fairleigh took the train for Louisville.

Last evening Governor Taylor held a long conversation over the telephone with W. C. P. Breckinridge at Lexington. Later he repeated his assertion made during the afternoon that he would not take any action on the peace agreement for the present. Two Democratic members of the legislature put in an appearance yesterday afternoon, the first that have been seen in Frankfort since the word was given nearly a week ago for all of them to keep where they could not be readily reached in case it was determined by the Republicans to arrest them and take them to London.

Agreement Will Be Signed.

Late last night the situation was somewhat changed. Adjutant General Collier was again called into Governor Taylor's office about 8 o'clock and was in consultation with him until a late hour, but would say nothing as to what transpired. From other and authoritative sources, however, it was learned that a decision had finally been reached, and that the peace agreement probably would receive the signature of Governor Taylor inside of twenty-four hours.

THE DEMOCRATIC LEGISLATURE

In Session at Louisville—Beckham Will Protect Its Members From Arrest.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 10.—The Democratic legislature met here yesterday having present in each house a quorum of the total membership. Governor Beckham made the announcement that he was prepared to protect the legislators from arrest and that he will do so. These developments mark the first steps toward carrying out the plans announced Sunday last by the Democrats to set up a state government here that have been taken since those plans were interrupted by the peace negotiations.

Some commotion was caused among the legislators by reports from London and Frankfort that warrants were about to be sworn out for the arrest of enough Democratic members to make a quorum for the Republican legislature now meeting at London. When told of this Governor Beckham said: "No member of the legislature who comes to Louisvllie need fear arrest. I shall not allow any member of the general assembly to be arrested."

The legislative sessions yesterday were held in the court house, the senate meeting in the chancery court room and the house in the county court room. Twenty senators, one more than a quorum, were present when Lieutenant Governor Carter called that body to order. Regular business was taken up where it was dropped at Frankfort. After passing several resolutions the senate adjourned. Two sessions of the house were held during the day without a quorum. In the evening, however, fifty-three members, two more than necessary, responded to their names. The Texas legislature's resolutions of sympathy were read and a committee was appointed to draw up resolutions on the death of Governor Goebel. A resolution was adopted instructing the sergeant-at-arms to order absent members to report here at once after which the house adjourned.

INTENSE EXCITEMENT

Is Plainly Visible on the Countenances of the London Legislative Members.

London, Ky., Feb. 10.—The tension under which the state legislature has been laboring, especially during the past week, reached a crisis yesterday when the following message from Governor Taylor was received by a member: "Have warrants issued for members of the house and put in the hands of sergeant-at-arms to serve." The warrants were made out late yesterday and given to Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the house. The house went into executive session almost immediately upon convening at 10 o'clock. As soon as the senate was called to order the house sent in a resolution requesting a joint executive session. After adjournment the two sergeants-at-arms were constantly consulted. Everything indicated excited activity and pointed toward a climax.

London, Ky., Feb. 10.—Sergeant-at Arms Cecil, of the house, and Howard, of the senate, left after 1 o'clock this morning on the north-bound train armed with warrants for the arrest of absent Democratic members of both houses. Late last evening it was finally decided by the senate officers to make out the warrants for the arrest of absent Democratic senators without waiting for the arrival of Lieutenant Governor Marshall and send Howard with Cecil, who had already been given his warrants from the house. Where the two were going could not be ascertained here as no tickets were purchased and they refused to tell. The significant remark was dropped that something would be heard tomorrow.

JONES CONFESSES.

Says He Knows Nothing Personally About the Crime, but Tells Who Does.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 10.—The authorities expect to obtain important evidence regarding the assassin of Governor Goebel from Silas Jones, who was arrested yesterday morning. Jones has already made a partial confession. He declares that he personally knows nothing of the crime, but says that Harlan Whittaker, who was arrested immediately after the shooting while running from the executive building from which the shots were fired, knows a great deal about the crime.

It is believed that Jones gave more information than that regarding Whittaker and that what he told the police may lead to further arrests in the neighborhood of Richmond, Madison county, Ky. John Gottschalk, of Nelson county, who was arrested with Silas Jones, suspected of complicity in the assassination, was released from custody last night.

Gottschalk and Jones are cousins. The latter says he came with the mountaineer excursion. Both are said to have slept in the executive building the night before Goebel was assassinated. Jones is said to have been sleeping in a vacant house, only coming out at night, and had been here for a week prior to the assassination.

Injunction Notices Served.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 10.—Notice of the injunction to be argued before Judge Taft in Cincinnati Monday was yesterday served on Democratic Treasurer Hager and Superintendent of Public Instruction McChesney. They are the only Democratic state officials now in Frankfort.

Hanna Buys Ore Stock.

Youngstown, O., Feb. 10.—L. E. Cochran, head of the Andrews interests here, stated yesterday that they had sold their holdings in the Mahoning Ore company mines to the Messaba range to Hanna & Co., of Cleveland. The mines are valued at $2,400,000, the Andrews interests representing 12 per cent. of that amount.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

A man supposed to be D. S. McKenzie, of Chicago, was killed by falling down the elevator shaft of the public library at St. Paul.

Rumors of a consolidation of the National Steel, American Steel Hoop and American Tin Plate companies are current in Wall street, New York.

Dr. Otto Gumprecht, the well-known writer on musical topics, is dead in Berlin at the age of 77.

The Wilson Line steamer Iago has reached Boston from Hull, England after a passage of two months.

The sum of £20,000 sterling, the balance of £60,000 stolen from Parr's bank a year ago, has been mysteriously returned. The notes were found inclosed in a steamer's pass book.

The Union League club, of Brooklyn, has presented to Admiral Dewey a gold medal, commemorative of his great achievement in Manila bay.

Colonel R. W. Thompson's funeral will be held Monday afternoon at Terre Haute, Ind.

The Prairie sailed yesterday from Baltimore for Newcastle, England, with the crew for the Albany, and government exhibits for the Paris exposition.

President McKinley has been notified of his election as an honorary member of Columbia Lodge of Master Masons, of London, England.

Lieutenant Colonel W. H. H. Renyaurd, U. S. A., who was in charge of river and harbor works at New York, is dead.

Nine persons were killed and several injured in a railway wreck near Escanaba, Mich.

The knight's cross of the first class of the Baden Order Zaehringer Loewe has been conferred upon William Vocke, of Chicago, by the Grand Duke of Baden.

GEN. LAWTON AT REST.

Nation Pays Its Final Tribute to the Remains of the Dead Soldier.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Major General Henry W. Lawton was buried yesterday in the national cemetery at Arlington. It was a nation's tribute to a national hero and the sorrow of a

MAJOR GENERAL HENRY W. LAWTON.

whole people was expressed when America added the chaplet of cypress to the brow that so long had worn the laurel.

The burial service beneath the leafless trees at Arlington was preceded by services in the Church of the Covenant, on Connecticut avenue, at which every department of the government was represented, including the president, congress, the supreme court, all the ranking officers of the army and navy within reach of Washington, Lawton's old comrades of the line and staff, the diplomatic corps in all its brilliance of uniform and decoration and as many citizens of all degrees as were fortunate enough to find standing room within the walls.

But the crowd within was insignificant compared with the thousands who braved the lowering winter's day for a glimpse of the flag-draped caisson with its military escort as it passed through the streets. Hundreds more made the toilsome pilgrimage to Arlington to hear the last words pronounced above the open grave where president, cabinet and the general commanding the army stood with bowed heads till the last volley had been fired and the bugle sounded taps.

CONDITION OF TRADE.

Enlarged Speculation Is Reflected in Increased Clearings.

New York, Feb. 10.—Bradstreets says: The strength of staples, and particularly those of agricultural origin is the leading feature this week as last. In general trade weather conditions have not favored a large distribution but comparisons with a year ago are still quite favorable. Enlarged speculations is reflected in increased clearings and comparisons with last year are again encouraging, while gains over years previous to 1899 are very marked. In strength of demand and size of advance, cottons are still easily first.

Although the crop movement has noticeably enlarged, so active has been the demand from foreign spinners that fully ⅜ of a cent advance is shown. Corn is higher, partly in sympathy with wheat, but also on reports of damage to the Argentine crop by heat. Provisions have been quite strong throughout the week and active demand is responsible for higher prices of pork and lard in the face of larger receipts of hogs at primary markets. Hides and leather are firmly maintained, though reports from the boot and shoe trade of current business are not very good. Iron prices vary with the market reporting, but no widespread weakness is yet noted.

Business failures in the United States for the week number 231, as compared with 171 last week, 193 in this week a year ago, 278 in 1890, 301 in 1897 and 381 in 1896.

Medal from Queen Victoria.

Adrian, Mich., Feb. 10.—J. B. Morden, alderman in the Third ward, is in receipt of a handsome little present from the English government, and one that he appreciates very much. It is a solid silver medal, pendant from a bar of silver, and commemorates his service as a Canadian volunteer during the Fenian raid of 1866.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, Feb. 9.

Following were the quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade today:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat—				
February	$ .66¼	$ .66½	$ .66⅛	$ .66¼
May	.68⅝	.68⅝	.68	.68
July	.69¼	.69¼	.68⅝	.68⅝
Corn—				
February	.....	.....	.....	.31⅝
May	.33¾	.33¾	.33⅝	.33⅝
July	.34⅜	.34⅜	.34¼	.34¼
Oats—				
February	.....	.....	.....	.22¼
May	.23⅝	.23⅝	.23⅜	.23½
July	.22½	.22½	.22⅜	.22⅜
Pork—				
May	11.20	11.30	11.07½	11.10
July	11.15	11.20	11.15	11.15
Lard—				
May	6.17½	6.20	6.10	6.12½
July	6.10	6.12½	6.02½	6.05
Short ribs—				
May	6.10	6.12½	6.02½	6.05
July	6.10	6.10	6.05	6.07½

Produce: Butter—Extra creamery, 24½c per lb; extra dairy, 22c; packing stock, 16c. Eggs—Fresh stock, 12½c per doz. Dressed poultry—Turkeys, choice, 9½ per lb; fair to good, 8½@9c; chickens, hens, 8c; springs, 8½@9c; ducks, 9½@10c; geese, 8@9c. Potatoes—Fair to choice, 43@50c per bu. Sweet potatoes—Illinois, $3.50@4.00 per brl. Apples—$2.00@3.50 per brl. Cranberries—Bell and bugle, $7.50@8.00.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Feb. 9.

Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day, 25,000. Sales ranged at $4.00@4.85 for pigs, $4.75@5.00 for light, $4.80@4.87½ for rough packing, $4.80@5.07½ for mixed, and $4.90@5.10 for heavy packing and shipping lots.

Cattle—Estimated receipts for the day, 2,000. Quotations ranged at $5.90@6.25 for choice to extra steers, $5.30@5.80 for good to choice do., $4.65@5.20 for fair to good do., $4.00@4.60 common to medium do., $4.00@4.30 butchers' steers, $4.30@5.80 fed western steers, $3.40@4.90 feeding steers, $2.60@4.25 cows, $3.00@4.85 heifers, $2.80@4.25 bulls and oxen, $3.75@4.60 stags, $3.70@5.00 Texas steers, and $5.00@9.50 veal calves.

Sheep—Estimated receipts for the day, 7,000. Quotations raned at $4.00@5.55 westerns, $3.75@5.50 natives, $5.50@6.90 western lambs, and $5.00@7.15 native lambs.

LONG SESSION LIKELY.

Congress May Not Adjourn Until Midsummer.

MUCH WORK REMAINS TO BE DONE.

After the Financial Bill, the Government of Puerto Rico Is Most Pressing—Subjects to Be Discussed. The Senate's Spelling.

Washington, Feb. 10.—[Special.]—It is about this time in the session that talk begins about an early date for adjournment. I have heard the same suggestions during every long session of congress, and the time fixed by the early guessers is from the middle of May to the last of June. Already those who are anxious to see an early adjournment say there is no reason why congress should not get away by the middle of May and affirm that the early vote on the financial bill in the senate makes is possible to dispose of all other business. I do not agree with them and predict that the Fourth of July will see congress still in session. In the first place, there will be quite a long consideration of the financial bill when it is in conference between the two houses. Then, when the bill is finally agreed upon, it must be adopted in both bodies. This will not take so very much time in the house, but in the senate there is likely to be more debate on the conference report than we have heard upon the bill reported by the senate committee. Besides the financial bill, there are a number of measures destined to take time. The Nicaragua canal bill, the bills for Puerto Rico, Hawaii and Alaska are all to be passed—at least that is the present intention—and it looks as if a majority of both houses desire to stay here until they are out of the way.

Puerto Rico Will Lead.

Senator Foraker, chairman of the committee on Puerto Rico and the Pacific islands, began immediately upon a measure for the government of Puerto Rico. The bill for Hawaii had been referred to the committee on foreign relations before Senator Foraker's committee was organized and by mutual consent remained in that committee so that it could be in charge of Senator Cullom, who was chairman of the Hawaiian commission. Senator Foraker, ever active and industrious, will push his Puerto Rico bill at the earliest possible moment. This bill opens up the whole matter of island possessions, and the legislation upon it will be with due regard to the effect upon the Philippines and Cuba, if that island should ever become a part of the United States. This means a discussion far-reaching in its range and important in its bearing upon the future course of the United States. Already we have had a deal of talk upon the Philippines. The Puerto Rican bill will bring on a great deal more. Thus far the discussion has been upon resolutions expressing the ideas of individual senators which have been called up from time to time when some senator desired to talk. On the Puerto Rican bill it will be a serious question, as the bill to pass is one which a majority of the senate must agree upon. It is quite likely that those senators who have discussed the subject in the abstract will now go over the ground upon the practical side of the question as applied to proposed legislation. The bill will not only call forth remarks from those who have talked, but other senators will have a great deal to say.

Some of the Subjects.

Just think of the topics to be brought out by a measure proposing a form of government for the island! There is first the constitutional power to govern it as a separate territory, the rights of the Puerto Ricans to be citizens, the tariff, that never ending source of debate, for it is the tariff and prospective entrance of the products of the islands into the United States that causes a great deal of apprehension in protective circles; then the various ramifications of territorial acquisitions, beginning with the manner in which territory was first treated and the treatment of all subsequent acquisitions. Oh, there is enough in sight to keep the constitutional lawyers busy for a long time. It is a saying in the senate that any constitutional point can always get half the senate going almost any time. Then, as the appropriation bills come along there is going to be more talk, so that, all things considered, I think we can safely say that July will be the month of adjournment.

The Independent Senate.

I am following the decision of the board on geographic names in spelling "Puerto" Rico. In the senate and in all documents of that body it is "Porto" Rico. The former is Spanish and the latter Portuguese. The name "Porto" was fixed and the stationery of the committee so printed before the board made its decision. It is impossible to fight against this board. It has contracted and bunched together some old historic names in this country, absolutely destroying the meaning and appearance. It has made some old time names look strange, such as "Mille Lacs," which is now corrupted into Millac. "Devil's Lake" and "Spirit Lake" and "Dobson's Ferry" have been made "Devilslake," Spiritlake," "Dobsonferry." I have felt like rebelling on seeing some of these names destroyed, and never felt reconciled to see that old Indian name "Tacoma" abandoned and the famous mountain in Washington given the English name of "Ranier." But you can't help it. The senate may succeed in having its "Porto" printed in the public documents, but in time "Puerto" will prevail.

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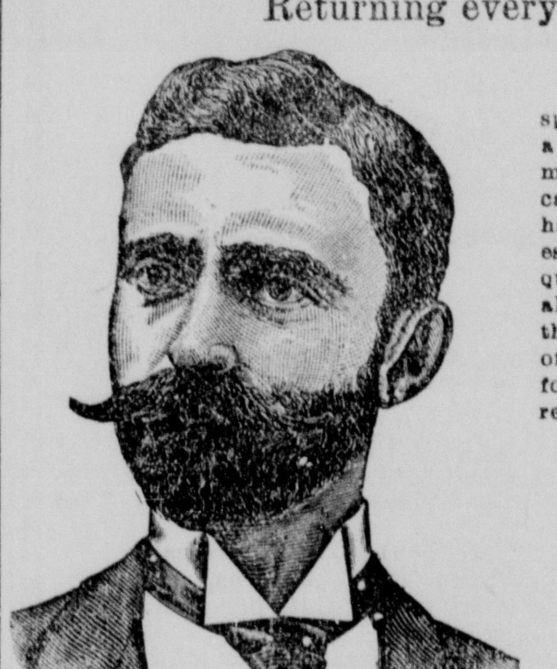

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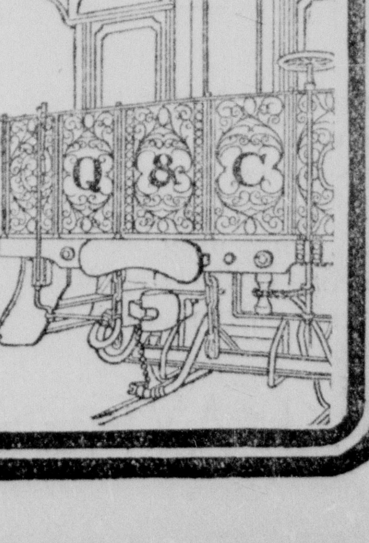

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For The Telegraph:

Present Day Thoughts.

BY "GROSVENOR."

Lincoln Reflections:—When a great public character is dead, History, like the Almighty, does not look on the outward appearance any longer to judge thereby. Living, a man may be as gawky in appearance as Lincoln and as ill-clad. Short-sighted, little men will call him a buffoon. Dead, the outer appearance of his body falls away from his life-work just as a man's outer frame falls away from his soul, leaving both bare to the closest scrutiny. The further away we get from the living days of Lincoln the clearer is our knowledge that a giant—every way great—lived and worked and joked and sorrowed when he lived.

To us young men in the full hurly-burly of life, no matter what our politics or what our relation to the Mason and Dixon line, there is good for us in a look at Lincoln and a thought about him. Mincing fools dressed like animated fashion plates lose the lessons from him that are real to some of us. To have a great heart is better than to have fine clothes. To have a cheerful word that hides our own heartaches and heart burdens is better than to stalk among men with a look of gloomy and repellant abstraction. To be a railsplitter with the whole heart and from that point up be everything and do everyting as from the heart is to make deep lines of character in ourselves even if those outside fail to recognize it. It is better to start low and end high, than to start high by some accident of parentage and end low. There is more to gain to our inner selves and therefore more of profit to the dear world to be forced into struggling for every vantage point that we gain. Poor-rich Lincoln had a face seamed more than any man's with the struggle from boyhood onward; and then to deepen those seems and test the metal of him came a burden such as no other man has ever borne in the history of this country. He swung to it like a man; the keen axe of his youth never needed to be keener than his sorrowing mind, when there was misunderstanding and reviling south of him, and treachery and slander and Judas-kisses of betrayal back of him. He has his reward; the petty men of his day are lost to sight; the North loves him and the South honors him. His way would have enriched the South by paying for its property; his way would have enriched the North by making its expenditures of blood and treasure needless.

We shall not, cannot all be President, but we can all be right, just where we are. If we are that, what we shall be does not yet appear. To be sincere, purposeful and helpful, without spoiling ourselves with dreams of "If I were this or that or the other, I would do this or that or the other great thing," is to live well and to be Lincoln-like.

Freeport Old Settler Suffocated Fighting a Fire.

Fred Rice, an old settler of Freeport, was suffocated by smoke Thursday night while attempting to extinguish a fire which was discovered in his house about 9 o'clock. Mr. Rice was 63 years old and had lived in Freeport since a lad of 18. His wife and three children survive.

It seems that a little before 9 o'clock he came into the room where his family were reading, listened a few minutes, then went into the cellar to have a smoke before retiring, as was his occasional custom. Shortly after Mrs. Rice thought she smelled smoke and opening the cellar door, heard her husband say, "Give me a pail of water." Smoke poured into the room above, and when the water was brought she was unable to go down the stairs, so dense was the smoke. In a few minutes she heard her husband fall in the front part of the cellar. Meanwhile help had arrived; but it was not until after the fire department had extinguished the fire that after repeated attempts to find Mr. Rice, he was finally discovered lying on his back among fruit jars and glass, his face covered with soot and charred debris. He was carried up stairs, but it was found impossible to resuscitate him. It seems probable that after lighting his pipe, Mr. Rice threw the burning match to one side and the flames caught from that. He remained too long trying to extinguish the fire, became affected by the smoke, lost his bearings, and so was unable to escape.

CONTRACT SIGNED.

The Building of New Court House Now in Hands of Contractor McAlpine.

Last evening the building committee came to a decision and signed the contract with W. J. McAlpine for the building of Lee county's new court house. The contract price is $89,955. Mr. McAlpine's bid was $90,935, but it was necessary to bring the figures under $90,000 in order to clear the appropriation with the allowance. This difference was made up by omitting the candlelabra on the front steps and the wrapping of steam pipes. These omissions can be added at some future time, if wanted.

The interior of the building is to be constructed entirely of cut stone from the Hoosier Bedford stone quarries and no terra cotta will be used. The roof will be made of five-ply tar and gravel.

The building is to be under roof by the 1st of November, 1900, and is to be completed on or before September 1, 1901.

The revised figures of the different bids are as follows:

Hugh R. Edwards, Racine, Wis., $103,530;

Chas. A. Moses, Chicago, $99,995;

Graig & Baum, Dixon, $107,774.

R. and S. Sollett, Chicago, $111,969;

Warren Roberts Co., Chicago, $105,350.

W. J. McAlpine, Dixon, $90,925.

We are glad that this contract went to Mr. McAlpine for, as a Dixon man, he will take pride in the work and Lee County will have a building that will not only be a credit to its constructor but to the tax payers for whose benefit it will grace the beautiful knoll overlooking the fertile valley of the Rock.

Entertains Friends.

Clarence E. Krinbill entertained a dozen or fifteen young people last evening at his home on Fifth street. No one enjoys entertaining his friends more than Mr. Krinbill, and he is always ready with something out of the ordinary to make the evening interesting.

Mr. Krinbill has a music pupil who is a prodigy in his way. His name is Harry Butner and his musical instinct showed itself longer ago than his memory will reach. At the age of eighteen months he would search out harmonic sounds on an organ while his father held him in his lap. Last evening he contributed to the entertainment by playing some original and novel piano selections. There was a catchy two-step of his own composition, dedicated to "The Belle of Aberdeen," also a march which carried the genuine inspiring swing with it and which was dedicated to Frederick Finney, leader of the Iowa State Band, who is a personal acquaintance of Mr. Butner. His latest composition is a very sympathetic reverie dedicated to a schoolmate of his childhood, now a young lady of Dubuque. His descriptions of the inspirations which prompted the composition of his selections were exceedingly entertaining. From indications we doubt not he is contemplating a new production in the near future. His most novel accomplishment was the playing of the "Fisher's Hornpipe" with his right hand, "Yankee Doodle" with his left, and at the same time reciting an extract from one of Sam Jones' sermons. His most remarkable feat, however, was the ready calling by name of each of six, eight or ten notes struck simultaneously on the piano by Miss Nellie Moyer.

Various games were played during the evening, and Miss Emma Beckmire took the prize in the brain-teaser game. Refreshments were served, consisting of apples, pop corn, candy and cakes.

Rock River Valley Pastor's Association.

The Pastor's Association of Rock River valley will convene in the English Lutheran church, Dixon, Ill., Feb., 12, 1900. Following is the program:

11:00 a. m.—A paper on the Old and Newer Rationalism by Rev. Chas. Logan, Sterling. Discussion on the paper opened by Rev. Metzler of Eldena.

2:00 p. m.—A paper by Rev. W. C. Spencer of Dixon on the following: Twenty Minutes with McLaren, Parker and Spurgeon. Discussian led by Rev. R. F. Cressy of Ashton.

2:45 p. m.—A paper on What Constitutes Effectual, Fervent Prayer by Rev. C. W. Thornton of Polo. Discussion led by A. A. Mahony of Amboy.

Change of Time.

The hour of the Dixon Cecilian chorus has been changed from 7:15 to 7:30. The board of directors are requested to meet at seven o'clock Monday evening before rehearsal.

MRS. F. E. LEAKE, Sec'y.

Notice.

The drummers of the Regulation Drum and Bugle Corps are requested to meet tonight at their hall for practice.

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Contract is Made.

The court house building committee met at Dixon last Tuesday, and awarded the contract for building the new temple of justice to W. J. McAlpine of Dixon. That is all right; McAlpine is a Lee county man and is entitled to the job if it can consistently be given to him.

But, say; a court house is supposed to be a place where justice is administered; where wrongs are righted, where trickery is exposed and dishonesty is rebuked and its punishment ordered. Isn't it a little rough on the hoodwinked goddess that the erection of such an edifice, the "temple" in which she is "supposed" to hold sway, shall be dominated and determined by methods at variance with the principles (supposed to be) represented? A court house will be built and the people of the county will pay for it. Justice and law say the people shall say how much they will pay, and what for. Have the people been consulted? If so then WHO are the people?—Franklin Grove Reporter.

With all respect for the Reporter, in its broadest sense the people are the men, women and children of a country or a community. In a governmental sense the people are the voting population. In a representative sense the people are those whom the voting population choose to represent them. For the purpose of doing the business of a village or city, the people elect a village board or city council; for the purpose of doing the business of the county, the voters elect a board of supervisors; and so with regard to the business of the state or the nation. The business of building a court house, (the need of which no one disputes) is the business of the people of the county, a part of the business which they have elected their representatives to perform. The representatives of the various townships are supposed to represent—so far as they can ascertain it—the sentiment of the majority of their portion of the people of the county on this and all other questions affecting the interests of the people. It is not possible to perfectly represent the wishes of all the people on almost any question, even in a popular government.

It is not easy to so adjust the ratio of representation that on the board every man shall be equally represented. For instance, Dixon township has a voting population of between 2,300 and 2,400, she is represented on the board by three votes. Hamilton has a voting population of about 100. She is represented by one vote. If Dixon's representation was on the basis of Hamilton's, Dixon would have 23 instead of 3 supervisors. If Hamilton was represented on the same basis as Dixon, she would have to grow almost eight times as large before she could have a representative on the board. Such a basis of representation, while technically just would hardly be received by our neighbors as equitable; for it would place the entire control of all business in the hands of representatives of a few of the most populous communities. The same objection would exist in a popular vote; and the only way to control an overwhelming majority seems to be to so apportion representation that the weaker localities shall be given the largest proportionate voice in the disposal of the business of the people.

A Festal Day at St. Luke's.

Friends and parishioners of St. Luke's will all be interested in tomorrow's services. The Rev. Joseph Rushton L. H. D. of Chicago, has kindly consented to visit the parish and preach morning and afternoon. The Christmas decorations will be seen for the last time. The vested choir will sing, "Send Out Thy Light" by Gounod, and "Seek Ye the Lord" as anthems, being assisted in the morning by an orchestra directed by Prof. Strong and Prof. Smith. At the 4:45 p. m. recital of sacred music the soloists will be Miss Dement, who sings Pinsute's "Heaven and Earth;" Master Walker who renders "A Dream of Paradise," and Mrs. Smith and Prof. Strong and Mr. Seaberg, who are to render a trio for organ, violin and cornet.

Joint Meeting.

Tomorrow evening at six o'clock in the Sunday School room of the Methodist church there will be a joint meeting of the senior and junior Epworth Leagues. Everyone is invited and the following program will be given by members of the junior League of which Miss Nora Mossholder is Supt.

Solo—"Little Lambs".....Mary Houser
Recitation—"Wash Day in the Sky"...Myrian Hazzard.
Recitation—"Child's Prayer" Clarence Soper
Solo—"Jesus Loves Us".....Irene Ichenberg
Recitation—"Sweetness".....Norma Leeke
Recitation—"Where is Mother"...Olive Northrup.
Report—By Secretary.....Katheryn Houser
Solo—"Father Lead Me".....Grace Burright
Dialogue—Children of Bible: Maud Bartholemew, Mae Trowbridge, Maud Hawken, Fred Sanford, Harrison Leath, Charles Huggins

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Music in the Family and Home.

Music, it has been said, has wondrous power of expression: power over thought and act, for it moves the inmost depths of our emotional nature; power over the learned and unlearned, for it touches the life of the soul, far beneath all analytic processes of thought; power over high and low, for it strikes a chord which can be made to thrill in every heart. From this it can be easily seen what office it should serve in the family.

The family is the home of our deepest earthly affections. It is here that our whole emotional nature begins its development.

Here we find the very fountain whence flows the purest, and strongest, and most lasting feelings of our life. We are in the family by the necessity of our being. Far back of any voluntary acts of our own conscious existence, it asserts its presence and power. The relation is divinely ordained and demands therelore our most serious regard. Home, where we first live, move and have our being, where the soul of each one of us opens up into conscious activity, where the whole being begins to bloom, as doth the flower in iis inclosing bud.

Home is the place of not only obedient acts of will, not only of intellectual nurture and discipline; but also the place which the beauty of art should adorn, where the fair humanities should reign, where all enobling sentiments should be cherished; that, in every possible way, the attention of the household may be drawn from the grossly sensual to the supersensuous and ideal.

Music is then, when true to its nature, as given form; and thus the suggesting sentiments which are perhaps more powerful factors of our life than thoughts, thru the medium of sounds, which equally delight childhood and old age.

Music therefore, we repeat, should bind the fireside together with links of love, and in the throbbing hearts of the children, awaken hallowed thoughts and resolutions, and form a body of lasting associations, expanding the affections of the soul.

It is passing strange that people do not make greater use of vocal and instrumental music to brighten the home life.

Too many look upon it as a means of earning a livelihood, when there are thousands of homes where it is needed for its purifying and elevating influences. There is no place where it is more important, and nowhere else does it shine with brighter luster. Even if there be no very marked talent is this direction, which would lead to the idea of display before the public, it is well worth while to make the most of such as there be, and those present who ignore music, because the son or daughter may give no promise of eminence as musicians, are sadly in error. If right views concerning this subject should generally prevail, we should hear less of wailing because young people incline to spend their evenings away from home, amid excitements which are not for their best good; and we steadfastly believe many a hearthstone is shrouded in gloom, simply from neglecting the wonderful power which might have been wielded thru music in making home more attractive and filling it with sunshine.

Among the great reforms needed in our own land today, few are of equal importance, with that of making home-life more pure, beautiful and attractive,

"For music has a power to charm
The social circle round;
And floating there upon the air,
Makes home enchanted ground
And home is rendered dearer far,
Diviner in its art,
When music, like an angel strain,
Steals softly to the heart.
The world seems flitting like a star,
A charm steals o'er the brain.
For all are wrapped within the spell
Of music's witching strain."

A. H. STODDARD.

From Geneseo News:

A squirrel chasing a cat was a comcal sight in the open lot south of Prof. Casebeer's house the other day. The cat was four times the size of the squirrel, yet Tabby was running for dear life, and the squirrel, with tail exalted, was flying after him like a fury.

The news said that lake fish would come thru the drainage canal into the Illinois, and so penetrate the streams of the Mississippi system. The Peoria Journal says that a man named Ward speared a fine lake fish just above Peoria, and that great numbers of white fish and lake herring are coming down. They will come up the big river to Rock and Green rivers, and in a year or two we will have fishing that is fishing.

Jay E. Taylor, of the Ohio Herald, prints an expression of his sympathies with the editor of this paper, for his afflictions sore. Thank you, Jay! May you never be afflicted seven weeks with belligerant boils, as we have been, and may you live long to publish the Herald, and may nobody call your town Ohio Station any more. It is too suggestive of a siding. Ohio is an all-round good town, and of a high grade. In fact it is all round at both ends, and high in the middle—O-high-O!

MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION.

Annual Meetings Illinois Retail Merchant's Associatian In Rock Island Tuesday, Feb. 13, Concert and Banquet.

From the Argus we learn that a very complete program has been prepared for the seventh annual convention of the State Retail Merchants' association, which assembles in Rock Island next Tuesday and continues for three days. Four hundred delegates are expected. The sessions will be held at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium. The members of the local association, in conjunction with the Rock Island Club, have made elaborate arrangements for the entertainment of the visitors, whom the local people will convince, as the writer can by boyhood experience assure THE TELEGRAPH readers, that no mistake was made when Rock Island was selected as the location of the 1900 convention.

The meeting will open at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. President G. A. Scherer of Peoria will preside. Opening remarks will be made by G. H. Kingsbury, president of the Rock Island association. The address of welcome will be delivered by Mayor William McConochie. The response will be by President Scherer. The reports of officers and the appointment of committees will conclude the morning session. In the afternoon reports will be heard from the committees on organization, credit system, retail traffic, trade relations, legislation and progress. The following papers will be given: Retail Merchants' Association of Illinois—What it Has Accomplished, Parcel Post Reduction, How to Conduct a Successful Retail Business, Bankruptcy Law, Illinois Pure Food Law as Viewed by a Retail Grocer. In the evening a complimentary concert will be tendered at Harper's Theatre.

The second day's program will include the following papers: Extending Credits and the best Methods of Collection;" "What Local Organizations should Endeavor to Enforce;" The Traveling Salesman and His Relation to the Retailer;" "The Merchants' Association an Educator;" Rating Book and Credit System."

During the convention the delegates will be taken for a trip thru the shops of the Rock Island arsenal.

Wednesday evening a banquet will be tendered by the Rock Island Association at the Harper House.

The regular delegates from Dixon, C. H. Keyes and Joe Petersberger, will go Monday to attend the convention, and possibly J. E. Moyer and W. C. Jones will go Wednesday. Any member of the Dixon Retail Merchants Association may go with the delegation and is invited to participate in the banquet. Tickets at one and one-third fare on the cirtificate plan will be used.

Burglars.

The State should coin a gold medal and give it to Chief Ahrens of the Quincy police, and his glorious lieutenant, who killed a brace of burglars down there the other night.

The hotel man, who got onto the fact that there were burglars, and put the police and detectives on, should have a medal, or a crown, or something.

We feel like shouting hallelujah every time a burglar is killed.

The Chicago Aldermam who introduced an ordinance offering two hundred dollars reward for every dead burglar, is a friend to his race. Give him a harp too.

Chas. Price, the head burglar or chief of the gang at Quincy, was an old-timer.

He was a "gentleman burglar" being a wealthy citizen of Des Moines, who burgled for the love of adventure.

The Des Moines police knew him and never disturbed him!

A burglar known, and undisturbed, in the capital city of the great commonwealth of Iowa!

A burglar! Do you realise what this means? It means a coldblooded, calculating thief and murderer. He will enter the home nest, and send bullets crashing into the brain or body of the man who earns his living honestly, and who is the stay and protector of his wife and little flock.

Think of it! The crushed and weeping family standing about the bed of the man suffering mortal agonies! Husband, father, there he lies, suffering God knows with what torments, while his wife and little enes stand by with breaking hearts. In a little while they will have no home. And this, repeated over and over, in city, town, villiage and farmhouse, so that a "gentleman burglar" can have a little adventure!

And the DesMoines police know his trade, and don't molest him!

Thank God for the Quincy policemen who shot him to death, and served his pal the same! There is another one there shot in the leg. Hang him!—Geneseo News.

The Public Library will be open for receiving books on Feb. 12th, 10 to 12 a. m.; 1 to 6 p. m; 7 to 9 p. m. No books will be given out.

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Church Announcements.

ST. LUKES.

The Rev. John C. Sage, Rector. Septuagesima—the third Sunday before Lent. Holy Communion at 8 a. m. when members of last two confirmation classes will receive in a body. Morning prayer and sermon 10:45 a. m. Recital of sacred music and Evensong at 4:45 p. m. Sunday school at 12. The preacher at both services will be the Rev, Dr. Rushton, secretary to the Bishop of Chicago. Parishioners are especially asked to attend the morning service. Music by the vested choir of sixty. Service leaflets furnished and strangers cordially invited.

PRESBYTERIAN.

East Third street. Rev. S. S. Cryor D. D., pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at noon. Christian Endeavor meeting at 6 p. m.; topic, "Seek First the Kingdom." The Pastor will give a ten-minute object lesson and talk to the children before the morning sermon. Evening theme "An Eternal Name."

LUTHERAN.

T. F. Dornblaser, Pastor. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. At 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. church services. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6 p. m. Subject for the evening sermon, "Is there a Hell? and Who Shall Occupy It?"

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

First street and Madison avenue. Rev. Finis Idleman, pastor. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday School at 10:00. Y. P. S. C. E. 6:00 p. m. All are cordially invited to these services.

BAPTIST.

Rev. William C. Spencer, Pastor. Church service at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m, Sunday School at 12 m. B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m. Themes: "Back to Bethel" and "The Scoffer's Question and its Answer."

GERMAN LUTHERAN.

Highland avenue and Sixth street. Services at 10:30 a. m. by Rev. F. T. Schmidt. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. W. Kessler superintendent Everybody is invited.

GRACE EVANGELICAL.

Grace Evangelical church, J. G. Finkbeiner, pastor. Preaching services at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., and K. L. C. E. at 6:00 p. m.

METHODIST.

Rev. J. D. Leek, Pastor. Services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Sunday School at noon. Epworth League at 6:00 p. m.

Dixon and Oregon High School Contest.

Following are the contestants as far as selected, in the coming contest between the Dixon and Oregon high schools, to take place on Friday, March 23:

CONTESTANTS FOR DIXON.

Piano solo—Mabel Barlow;
Vocal solo—Lorna Dement;
Essay—Mary Crabtree;
Oration—Harry Clayton;
Recitation—Hazel Dille.

CONTESTANTS FOR OREGON.

Vocal solo—Edith Anderson;
Piano solo—Homer Althouse;
Oration—Ben Ely;
Essay—Miss Anderson.

New Cable.

E. M. Griffith of Sterling is here with a force of fifteen men putting in a $5000 improvement for the Central Union Telephone Company. This work consists of stringing an emergency cable from the office to First street and Galena avenue, and from there to Third street and Galena avenue. This will make room to accommodate all new subscribers. New pole lines are being set on West First street and the line on Second street will be rebuilt, thus making the plant entirely new, both in the office and outside equipment.

MAYTOWN.

Feb. 7.—Chas. McFadden hauled oats for Amboy this week.

James Ryan, is paying 18 cents per bushel for corn to feed to his eight car loads of steers. James is one of our most prosderous young farmers.

G. W. Barnes is showing a fine new cutter.

Fred Blum is recovering from an illness of pneumonia.

Mrs. Barney Friel is on the sick list.

W. J. Leffelman made a business trip to Amboy Saturday.

That was a good dance that James Ryan got up Monday night. He is a hustler. Everyone had a jolly time.

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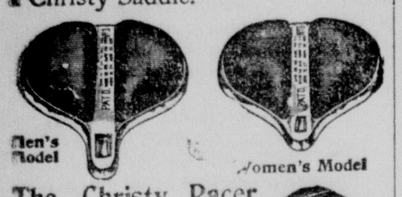

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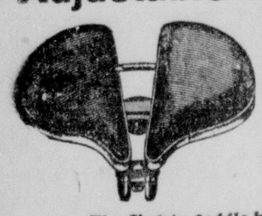

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The passenger department of the Illinois Central Railroad Company has just issued a beautiful illustrated folder that describes in detail the advantages of Hammond, Louisiana, as an ideal health and winter resort. Those in any way afflicted with asthmatic, catarrhal and bronchial troubles, or who would enjoy the winter months south at a nominal expense, should apply for a free copy by addressing at Dubuque, Iowa, J. F., Merry, Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., Ill. Cent. R. R.

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THE CRUCIFIXION OF PHILIP STRONG.

By REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON,

Author of "In His Steps: What Would Jesus Do?" "Malcom Kirk," "Robert Hardy's Seven Days," Etc.

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CHAPTER VI.

In spite of his determination to get out and occupy his pulpit the first Sunday of the next month Philip was reluctantly obliged to let five Sundays go by before he was able to preach. During those six weeks his attention was called to a subject which he felt ought to be made the theme of one of his talks on "Christ and Modern Society." The leisure which he had for reading opened his eyes to the fact that Sunday in Milton was terribly desecrated. Shops of all kinds stood wide open. Excursion trains ran into the large city 40 miles away, two theaters were always running with some variety show, and the saloons, in violation of an ordinance forbidding it, unblushingly flung their doors open and did more business on that day than any other. As Philip read the papers he noticed that every Monday morning the police court was more crowded with "drunks" and "disorderlies" than on any other day in the week, and the plain cause of it was the abuse of the day before.

In the summer time baseball games were played in Milton on Sunday. In the fall and winter very many people spent their evenings in card playing or aimlessly strolling up and down the main street. These facts came to Philip's knowledge gradually, and he was not long in making up his mind that Christ would not keep silent before the facts. So he carefully prepared a plain statement of his belief in Christ's standing on the modern use of Sunday, and as on the other occasions when he had spoken the first Sunday in the month he cast out of his reckoning all thought of the consequences. His one purpose was to do just as, in his thought of Christ, he would do with that subject.

The people in Milton thought that the first Sunday Philip appeared in his pulpit he would naturally denounce the saloon again. But when he finally recovered sufficiently to preach he determined that for awhile he would say nothing in the way of sermons against the whisky evil. He had a great horror of seeming to ride a hobby, of being a man of one idea and making people tired of him because he harped on one string. He had uttered his denunciation, and he would wait a little before he spoke again. The whisky power was not the only bad thing in Milton that needed to be attacked. There were other things which must be said. And so Philip limped into his pulpit the third Sunday of the month and preached on a general theme, to the disappointment of a great crowd almost as large as the last one he had faced. And yet his very appearance was a sermon in itself against the institution he had held up to public condemnation on that occasion. His knee wound proved very stubborn, and he limped badly. That in itself spoke eloquently of the dastardly attempt on his life. His face was pale, and he had grown thin. His shoulder was stiff, and the enforced quietness of his delivery contrasted strangely with his customary fiery appearance on the platform. Altogether that first Sunday of his reappearance in his pulpit was a stronger sermon against the saloon than anything he could have spoken or written.

When the first Sunday in the next month came on, Philip was more like his old self. He had gathered strength enough to go around two Sunday afternoons and note for himself the desecration of the day as it went on recklessly. As he saw it all it seemed to him that the church in Milton was practically doing nothing to stop the evil. All the ministers complained of the difficulty of getting an evening congregation. Yet hundreds of young people walked past all the churches every Sunday night, bent on pleasure, going to the theaters or concerts or parties, which seemed to have no trouble in attracting the crowd. Especially was this true of the foreign population, the working element connected with the mills. It was a common occurrence for dog fights, cock fights and shooting matches of various kinds to be going on in the tenement district on Sunday, and the police seemed powerless or careless in the matter.

All this burned into Philip like molten metal, and when he faced his people on the Sunday which was becoming a noted Sunday for them he quivered with the earnestness and thrill which always come to a sensitive man when he feels sure he has a sermon which must be preached and a message which the people must hear for their lives.

He took for a text Christ's words, "The Sabbath was made for man," and at once defined its meaning as a special day.

"The true meaning of our modern Sunday may be summed up in two words—rest and worship. Under the head of rest may be gathered whatever is needful for the proper and healthful recuperation of one's physical and mental powers, always regarding not simply our own ease and comfort, but also the same right to rest on the part of the remainder of the community. Under the head of worship may be gathered all those facts which, either through distinct religious service or work or thought, tend to bring men into closer and dearer relation to spiritual life, to teach men larger sweeter truths of existence and of God and leave them better fitted to take up the duties of everyday business.

"Now, it is plain to me that if Christ were here today and pastor of Calvary church he would feel compelled to say some very plain words about the desecration of Sunday in Milton. Take, for example, the opening of the fruit stands and cigar stores and meat markets every Sunday morning. What is the one reason why these places are open this very minute while I am speaking? There is only one reason—so that the owners of the places may sell their goods and make money. They are not satisfied with what they can make six days in the week. Their greed seizes on the one day which ought to be used for the rest and worship men need and turns that also into a day of merchandise. Do we need any other fact to convince us of the terrible selfishness of the human heart?

"Or take the case of the saloons. What right have they to open their doors in direct contradiction to the town ordinance forbidding it? And yet this ordinance is held by them in such contempt that this very morning as I came to this church I passed more than half a dozen of these sections of hell, wide open to any poor sinning soul that might be enticed therein. Citizens of Milton, where does the responsibility rest for this violation of law? Does it rest with the churches and the preachers to see that the few Sunday laws we have are enforced by them, while the business men and the police lazily dodge the issue and care not how the matter goes, saying it is none of their business?

"But suppose you say the saloons are beyond your power. That does not release you from doing what is in your power, easily, to prevent this day from being trampled under foot and made like every other day in its scramble after money and pleasure. Who own these fruit stands and cigar stores and meat markets and who patronize them? Is it not true that church members encourage all these places by purchasing of them on the Lord's day? I have been told by one of these fruit dealers with whom I have talked lately that among his best customers on Sunday are some of the most respected members of this church. It has also been told me that in the summer time the heaviest patronage of the Sunday ice cream business is from the church members of Milton. Of what value is it that we place on our ordinance rules forbidding the sale of these things covered by the law? How far are we responsible for our example for encouraging the breaking of the day on the part of those who would find it unprofitable to keep their business going if we did not purchase of them on this day?

"It is possible there are very many persons here in this house this morning who are ready to exclaim: 'This is intolerable bigotry and puritanical narrowness. This is not the attitude Christ would take on this question. He was too large minded. He was too far advanced in thought to make the day to mean anything of that sort.'

"But let us consider what is meant by the Sunday of our modern life as Christ would view it. There is no disputing the fact that the age is material, mercantile, money making. For six eager, rushing days it is absorbed in the pursuit of money or fame or pleasure. Then God strikes the note of his silence in among the clashing sounds of earth's Babel and calls mankind to make a day unlike the other days. It is his merciful thoughtfulness for the race which has created this special day for men. Is it too much to ask that on this one day men think of something else besides politics, stocks, business, amusement? Is God grudging the man the pleasure of life when here he gives the man six days for labor and then asks for only one day specially set apart for him? The objection to very many things commonly mentioned by the pulpit as harmful to Sunday is not an objection necessarily based on the harmfulness of the things themselves, but upon the fact that these things are repetitions of the working day and so are distracting to the observance of the Sunday as a day of rest and worship, undisturbed by the things that have already for six days crowded the thought of men. Let me illustrate.

"Take, for example, the case of the Sunday paper as it pours into Milton every Sunday morning on the special newspaper train. Now, there may not be anything in the contents of the Sunday papers that is any worse than can be found in any weekday edition. Granted, for the sake of the illustration, that the matter found in the Sunday paper is just like that in the Saturday issue—politics, locals, fashion, personals, dramatic and sporting news, literary articles by well known writers, fatality, etc., anywhere from 20 to 40 pages—an amount of reading matter that will take the average man a whole forenoon to read.

"I say, granted all this vast quantity of material is harmless in itself to moral life, yet here is the reason why it seems to me Christ would, as I am doing now, advise this church and the people of Milton to avoid reading the Sunday paper, because it forces upon the thought of the community the very same things which have been crowding in upon it all the week and in doing this necessarily distracts the man and makes the elevation of his spiritual nature exceedingly doubtful or difficult. I defy any preacher in this town to make much impression on the average man who has come to church saturated through and through with 40 pages of Sunday newspaper—that is, supposing the man who has read that much is in a frame of mind to go to church. But that is not the point. It is not a question of press versus pulpit. The press and the pulpit are units of our modern life which ought to work hand in hand. And the mere matter of church attendance might not count if it was a question with the average man whether he would go to church and hear a dull sermon or stay at home and read an interesting newspaper. That is not the point. The point is whether the day of rest and worship shall be like every other day; whether we shall let our minds go right on as they have been going, to the choking up of avenues of spiritual growth and religious service. Is it right for us to allow in Milton the occurrence of baseball games and Sunday racing and evening theaters? How far is all this demoralizing to our better life? What would Christ say, do you think? Even supposing he would advise this church to take and read the big Sunday daily sent in on the special Sunday train that keeps a small army of men at work and away from all Sunday privileges; even supposing he would say it was all right to sell fruit and cigars and meat on Sunday and perfectly proper for church members to buy those things on that day, what would Christ say was the real meaning and purpose of this day in the thought of the Divine Creator when he made the day for man?

"I cannot conceive that he would say anything else than this to the people of this town and this church: He would say it was our duty to make this day different from all other days in the two particulars of rest and worship. He would say that we owe it to the Father of our souls in common gratitude for his mighty love toward us that we spend the day in ways pleasing to him. He would say that the wonderful civilization of our times should study how to make this day a true rest day to the workingman of the world and that all unnecessary carrying of passengers or merchandise should stop, so as to give all men, if possible, every seven days one whole day of rest and communion with something better than the things that perish with the using. He would say that the church and the church member and the Christian everywhere should do all in his power to make the day a glad, powerful, useful, restful, anticipated 24 hours, looked forward to with pleasant longing by little children and laboring men and railroad men and street car men as the one day of all the week, the happiest and best because different in its use. And so different that when Monday's toil begins the man feels refreshed in body and in soul because he has paused a little while in the mad whirl of his struggle for bread or fame and has fellowshiped with heavenly things and heard something diviner than the jangling discords of this narrow, selfish earth.

"If this thought of Sunday is bigotry or narrowness, then I stand convicted as a bigot living outside of the nineteenth century. But I am not concerned about that. What I am concerned about is Christ's thought of this day. If I understand his spirit right, I believe he would say what I have said. He would say that it is not a right use of this day for the men and women of this generation to buy and sell merchandise, to attend or countenance places or spectacles of amusement, to engage in card parties at their homes, to fill their thoughts full of the ordinary affairs of business or the events of the world. He would say that it was the Christian's duty and privilege in this age to elevate the uses of this day so that everything done and said should tend to lift the race higher and make it better acquainted with the nature of God and its own eternal destiny.

"If Christ would not take that view of this great question, then I have totally misconceived and misunderstood his character. 'The Sabbath was made for man.' It was made for him that he might make of it a shining jewel in the string of pearls which should adorn all the days of the week, every day speaking of divine things to the man, but Sunday opening up the beauty and grandeur of the eternal life a little wider yet.

"This, dear friends all, has been my message to you this morning. May God forgive whatever has been spoken contrary to the heart and spirit of our dear Lord."

If Philip's sermon two months before made him enemies, this sermon made even more. He had unconsciously this time struck two of his members very hard. One of them was part owner in a meat market which his partner kept open on Sunday. The other leased one of the parks where the baseball games had been played. Other persons in the congregation felt more or less hurt by the plain way Philip had spoken, especially the members who took and read the Sunday paper. They went away feeling that, while much that he said was true, there was too much strictness in the minister's view of the whole subject. This feeling grew as days went on. People said Philip did not know all the facts in regard to people's business and the complications which necessitated Sunday work and so forth.

These were the beginnings of troublesome times for Philip. The trial of the saloon keeper was coming on in a few days, and Philip would be called to witness in the case. He dreaded it with a nervous dread peculiar to his sensitive temper. Nevertheless he went on with his church work, studying the problem of the town, endearing himself to very many in and out of his church by his manly, courageous life

"Verily an enemy hath done this."

and feeling the heartache grow in him as the sin burden of the place weighed heavier on him. Those were days when Philip did much praying, and his regular preaching, which grew in power with the common people, told the story of his night vigils with the Christ he adored.

It was at this particular time that a special event occurred which put its mark on Philip's work in Milton and became a part of its web and woof, a hard thing to tell, but necessary to relate as best one may.

He came home late one evening from church meeting, letting himself into the parsonage with his night key, and, not seeing his wife in the sitting room, where she was in the habit of reading and sewing, he walked on into the small sewing room, where she sometimes sat at special work, thinking to find her there. She was not there, and Philip opened the kitchen door and inquired of the servant, who sat there reading, where his wife was.

"I think she went up stairs a little while ago," was the reply.

Philip went at once up stairs into his study and to his alarm found that his wife had fainted. She lay on the floor in front of his desk. As Philip stooped to raise her he noticed two pieces of paper, one of them addressed to "The Preacher" and the other to "The Preacher's Wife." They were anonymous scrawls, threatening the lives of the minister and his wife. On his desk, driven deep into the wood, was a large knife. Then said Philip with a prayer, "Verily an enemy hath done this."

(To be continued.)

Kills Without Hitting.

What is lyddite? The high explosive thus called from the name of the small Kentish town and gunnery center where the experiments with it were made is nothing less than picric acid brought into a dense state by fusion. Picric acid is a bright yellow substance freely used in peaceful industries for dyeing purposes. It is obtained by the action of nitric acid on phenol or carbolic acid. It burns very violently, and, owing to the tremendous blast produced by the explosion, the destructive effect of a bursting shell filled with it is some 11 times greater than that of a shell filled with powder.

All lyddite shells are equipped with percussion nose fuses only; hence their explosion takes place on impact in the following fashion: The percussion fuse ignites a picric powder exploder, which in turn ignites the bursting charge of lyddite, the detonation of the fuse and of the two explosives inside the shell being instantaneous. The picric powder exploder, we should add, is inserted in a recess left in the lyddite for that purpose. Lyddite shell is to some extent less barbarous than shrapnel exploded by powder, for, though widespread, its death dealing effects are due more to air concussion than to the wounding effects of the flying fragments. In other words, in the case of a lyddite shell bursting in a group of men, the greater number will be killed not by pieces of the shell, but by the blow of the suddenly compressed air.

His Story "Goes" Until He Does.

There is in Cowley county a big two fisted farmer who has the reputation of being the biggest liar in the township. But he will fight at the drop of the hat, and men are very chary of accusing him. The other day he went into Dexter and told that he had a 9-month-old calf that gave three quarts at a milking, and, after recounting this story, the local paper said, "Mr. Horrell is still in town, and we are convinced that that calf is a wonder."—Kansas City Journal.

Killed Classical Quotations.

In tracing the decline of the use of classical quotations in legislative bodies the Boston Herald cites the case of Edward Everett, who once concluded a stately speech in congress with a long, sonorous and superbly modulated citation of a passage from Tacitus and then took his seat. No sooner was he through than up sprang a burly member from what was then a frontier state of the west. He had once been an Indian agent, and no sooner was he on his legs than he began to pour out a vehement harangue in Choctaw. After awhile the speaker called him to order.

"I don't see why my freedom of speech should be abridged!" he cried. "You let the gentleman from Massachusetts run on, and I didn't understand the first word of his lingo any better than he does mine."

The scene was described as very comical, but it struck the deathknell of further classical quotations in a congress that had not the ray of an idea what the unintelligible lingo of Cicero and Tacitus was driving at.

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One of Lamb's Pranks.

A pretentious poet got his verses submitted to Charles Lamb by a friend just before the poet was to meet Lamb at dinner. Lamb found the verses to be feeble echoes of other poets, and when the author arrived he was seen to be as empty as his verses. This awakened Lamb's spirit of mischievous waggery. At dinner he said in the course of conversation:

"That reminds me of some verses I wrote when I was young," and then he quoted a line or two which he recollected from the poet's book, to the latter's amazement and indignation. Lamb was diverted immensely, but kept perfectly serious and quoted more lines in connection with another remark, begging the company to remember how young he was when he composed them. The author again looked daggers at him.

Lamb capped all by introducing the first lines of "Paradise Lost" ("Of man's first disobedience," etc.) as also written by himself, which brought the poet to his feet, bursting with rage. He said he had sat by and allowed his own "little verses" to be appropriated without protest, but when he saw Milton also being pilfered from he could sit silent no longer. Lamb reveled in telling this story.—Rev. David Macrae in "English Humor."

Influenza Caused by Ozone.

On one occasion the writer walked to the edge of Lake Michigan when a strong wind was blowing right from the lake. The bodily condition was as near perfect as could be, and yet in less than five minutes there was every evidence of having caught cold. The severe influenza continued until, on walking away, in less than 500 feet it disappeared as if by magic.

It is very certain that the temperature had nothing to do with this nor the wind, but the influenza was directly due to the abundant ozone in the air. By inquiry it was learned that hundreds of residents who had lived upon the immediate edge of the lake had been obliged to move back three or four miles in order to relieve themselves from such experiences.

Physicians readily admit that it is not always possible to say when one "catches" cold. It certainly cannot always be because of undue exposure or change in temperature, but probably also to changes in the electric condition of the air. Facts of this kind should lead to the extremest caution in studying any supposed relation between the weather and health.—Popular Science.

A Very Foxy Fox.

A gentleman whose word cannot be doubted and who is not easily deceived tells the following:

Very early one morning he saw a fox eying most wistfully a number of wild ducks feeding in the rushy end of a highland lake. After awhile the fox, going to windward of the ducks, put afloat in the lake several bunches of dead rushes or grass, which floated down among the ducks without causing the least alarm.

After watching the effect of his preliminary fleet for a short time the fox, taking a good sized mouthful of grass in his jaws, launched himself into the water as quietly as possible, having nothing but the tips of his ears and nose above water.

In this way he drifted down among the ducks and caught a fine mallard.

Though this story seems extraordinary, it must be remembered that the fox manages to capture wild ducks, wood pigeons, hares and numberless other animals, sufficient to keep himself and family, and it is plain to be seen that in doing so he must practice many a trick that would seem improbable if related and quite beyond the instinct of animals.—Omaha World-Herald

Letting Well Enough Alone.

Bobbs—I see that a man has invented a typewriter that you just sit down and talk to and it writes out everything you say.

Dobbs—I guess I'll keep mine. She doesn't write everything I say, and I'm glad of it.—Baltimore American.

A Three Cornered War.

When Colonel Cartwell was military governor of Norfolk under the Confederacy in 1862, he ordered the British consul to report for duty on the home guard. To this the Englishman objected on the ground of being consul at Norfolk.

"To what government?" asked Colonel Cartwell.

"To the United States government," was the reply.

"But you are in the Confederate states, and you must show papers accrediting you to the Confederate States of America," said the colonel.

"But my government doesn't recognize you as a government," said the consul.

"Very well, then; my government doesn't recognize you as consul," briskly retorted Colonel Cartwell. "Shoulder your musket and join your company."

At this the peacefully disposed consul threatened to have a gunboat come and bombard the place before he would serve.

"That's just what I'd like to see," returned the colonel cheerily, "for then the United States will fight you, as she claims that Norfolk is still part of the Union, and between England and the United States fighting we shall go free."

At last the consul appealed to Mr. Benjamin, the Confederate secretary of war, who ordered his exemption from military duty, and the "three cornered war" so desired by Colonel Cartwell never came to pass.—Youth's Companion.

Unique Wedding Present.

Most people know of the peculiar circumstances under which Robert Louis Stevenson won his wife. But even more romantic and astounding was the unique wedding gift he got with her.

When Stevenson met his future fate at Barbizon, a famous artists' resort near Paris, she was the wife of Mr. Osborne, an Oakland gentleman. The friendship thus formed led Stevenson to pay a visit to California. He arrived at Monterey in a dying condition, but the loving care of Mrs. Osborne and her sister, Nellie Van der Grift, gradually won him back to life. The nursing completed his infatuation for the lady—an infatuation which he did not pretend to conceal. Fortunately Osborne raised no objections. He not only agreed to the divorce, but with a magnanimity rarely excelled actually attended the wedding breakfast. There he found his opportunity.

Mrs. Stevenson's one source of regret was the positive loss of her son, Lloyd Osborne, whom, of course, the father had the right to claim. Osborne made a happy speech, felicitating the newly married couple, and wound up by offering the most original of wedding presents. "To the bride," he said, "I give that which of all things is nearest and dearest to her heart, her own son."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

One He Didn't Get.

The following story of Ben Butler was told by a man who said he was present on the occasion:

"Shortly after the war General Butler delivered a lecture at Pike's Opera House in Cincinnati. The general was well on to the climax of his speech when slowly from the flies overhead descended a large wooden spoon on the end of a string. Down and down it came until it reached a point two or three inches above the speaker's head, and then it stopped.

"The audience, of course, was convulsed with mirth, but owing to his well known visual infirmity the general was the last to discover the spoon, and indeed would probably not have noticed it at all except that in making an emphatic gesture to italicize a point his hand struck the suspended spoon.

"Looking up, he recognized the enemy and took in the situation at a glance. Without any sign of embarrassment or confusion he detached it from the string and with the remark, 'Hello, there's one I didn't get,' laid it down on the stage and triumphantly finished his address."

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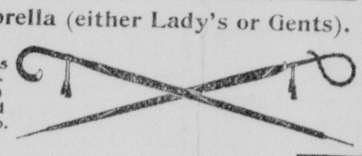
Silk Umbrella (either Lady's or Gents).

Sent by express (charges prepaid), for 170 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.



A very fine umbrella, made of union silk-taffeta; 26-inch frame with seven ribs; steel rod and silver Congo handle. Would cost $2.00 at the store.

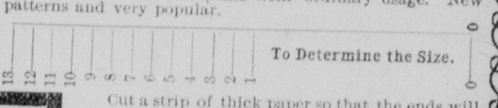
Fancy Gold Ring.

For 18 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Genuine Ruby Setting Gold Ring.

For 25 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

These rings are genuine rolled-gold plate, having the exact appearance and qualities of solid gold, and guaranteed by the makers to last two years with ordinary usage. New patterns and very popular.



Cut a strip of thick paper so that the ends will exactly meet when drawn *tightly* around second joint of the finger. Lay one end on this diagram at the 0, and order the number the other end indicates.

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Dress-Pin Set.

Mailed free for 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Three pins in the set (larger than shown), composed of fine rolled-gold, with handsome ruby-colored settings. Suitable for waist-pins, cuff-pins, neck-pins or as a child's set.

Sash-Belt and Buckle.

Mailed free for 15 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2-cent stamp. Latest style of imported black Swiss gros-grain ribbon belting; stylish imitation oxidized silver buckle; neat, strong and fashionable.

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For 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Neat and substantial. Made of durable metal, heavily silver-plated. Two different patterns.

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For 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Color, dark brown. Made of fine kid leather; chamois lining; nickeled frame, with strong snap-fastening.

Ladies' Pen-Knife.

For 15 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2c. stamp. Large size; good material; handles nicely decorated and assorted colors.

"Knickerbocker" Watch.

Given for 175 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. Neat appearing and an excellent time-keeper. Solid nickel-silver case, with ornamental back. Nickel movements, escapement fully jeweled. The famous "Knickerbocker" watch.

Ladies' Watch Chain.

A double strand of best silk cord, united at intervals with colored beads; neat and substantial. For 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Gent's Watch.

Mailed free for 90 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. The celebrated "Ingersoll" watch; stem-wound and stem-set; durable nickel-plated case; each watch accompanied by guarantee of the maker. A reliable time-keeper.

Ladies' Pocket-Book.

Large size and latest shape. Black seal-grain leather, with five separate divisions, including a tuck-pocket with flap to hold visiting cards secure.

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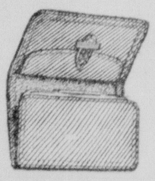

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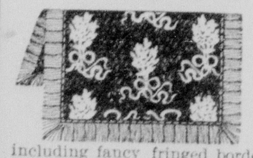

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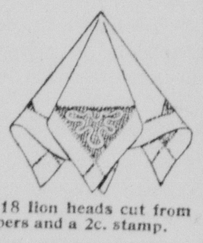
Pair of Lace Handkerchiefs.



Two extra fine cambric handkerchiefs, with beautiful imported lace medallion insertions in the corners. Half-inch hem, machine hemstitched; stylish and durable. A pair of these handkerchiefs given for 18 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2c. stamp.

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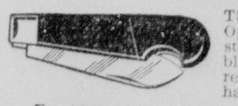

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No. 2	7:04 am....A	No. 17	7:14 pm...C
No. 10	7:22 am....C	No. 11	8:20 pm...A
No. 12	11:13 am....C	No. 1	8:50 pm...A
No. 14	3:48 pm....C	No. 3	1:05 am...A
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THE WEATHER.

The following is the weather forecast telegraphed us at 10:10 o'clock a. m. today from the government observatory at Chicago:

Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday with possibly rain in extreme southern portion tonight. Moderate temperature.

WEATHER REPORT.

For the week commencing Feb. 4.

	Max.	Min.	Precp.
Sunday	24	15	.—
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Tuesday	34	21	.—
Wednesday	50	25	.09
Thursday	58	12	.87
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—S. H. Benner of Sterling is in town.

—John Wolcott of Marion is in town today.

—C. G. Bowlsby was up from Nelson this morning.

—Peter O'Malley is home from Ashton to spend Sunday.

—County Superintendent I. F. Edwards is up from Amboy.

—The W. R. C. C. will meet Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

—O. H. Kelly of Clinton, Ia., visited friends here last evening.

—This beautiful day has crowded our streets with shoppers from city and country.

—Rev. T. F. Dornblaser will conduct services at Mt. Union Sunday at 2.30 p. m.

—A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rice on West First street a day or two ago.

—Wm. Carter of Columbia City, Ind., is visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. Theron Cumins.

—Mrs. Jas. H. Thompson has returned from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Sprattler, at Beloit.

—W. C. Godfrey will award the sixty pound bar of soap at his store this evening at 8 o'clock.

—Mrs. Chas. Thomas is slightly improving today. Her condition yesterday was very critical.

—Advertisements changed this evening: G. O. Wendel; Ford Bros' Shoe Store; D. F. Greenawalt.

—Mesdames H. B. Wilkinson and S. E. Martin of Morrison are spending the day with Mrs. George Steel.

—LeRoy Brown is out from Chicago to spend a few days with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. I. Brown.

—Geo. Williams of Manson, Iowa, who has been visiting relatives in Dixon, returned to his home today.

—There will be a rehearsal of the comedy, "Captain Rackett," also the Regulation Drum Corps this evening.

—The college law class had their photos taken this morning by Haynes. There were about sixty in the group.

—J. Hepburn, special police officer at the College, was forced to land a refractory student in the lock-up this noon.

—The Rev. and Mrs. Sage are entertaining the Rev. Dr. Rushton who is to preach tomorrow in St. Luke's church.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sinclair and Miss Batten are in Amboy to attend tomorrow the funeral of a relative, Mrs. J. B. Edams.

—Mr. and Mrs. Holzhauer, of 331 West Third street, are the happy parents of a little daughter which arrived this morning.

—Mr and Mrs. E. Bovey were in Sterling last evening to attend the concert given by the Northwestern University Glee Club.

—Louis Stephan, jr., wishes it to be understood that he will not be a candidate for alderman from the third ward. He has no desire for the office.

—The young people of the Presbyterian church will hold a novel Valentine social in the church parlors, Tuesday evening, February 13th. Everybody invited.

—Fred Johnson, the fellow who stole a bicycle in Sterling yesterday and was arrested in Dixon, was held today, in default of $500 bail, to the next term of the circuit court of Whideside county.

—During the week Wendel the Jeweler advertised Franco-German rings for the cure of Rheumatism. In this issue he advertises Rings for heartache. See "ad" on first page. It may do you good.

—Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., of St. Louis, Mo., will supply the pulpit of St. Paul's church during the pastor's absence in Europe. Dr. Bowers is a brother to General T. G. Bowers who served on Grant's staff during the Civil War.

—A little girl who was trying to tell a friend how absent-minded her grandpa was, said: "He walks around thinking about nothing, and when he remembers it, he then forgets that he thought of was something entirely different from what he wanted to remember."

—The St. James' literary society held an enthusiastic and very interesting meeting at the school house a few miles southeast of this city. The report of the meeting came too late for this afternoon: but further mention will be made hereafter. The next meeting will be held on Friday evening, the 23d inst.

—Senator Albert J. Beveridge in his famous speech in the United States Senate, told one side of his experiences in the Philippines. The other and more personal side—what he saw and heard of "The American Soldier in the Field" he will tell exclusively in an early number of The Saturday Evening Post, of Philadelphia.

City of Dixon—Notice to Contractors.

Sealed proposals, addressed to the Board of local Improvements of the City of Dixon, Illinois, and endorsed: "Proposals for the construction of cement sidewalks and curbs as provided for in local Improvement ordinances Nos. One, Two, Three and Four, series of 1899, will be received by E. W. Smith, the secretary of said board, at the City Clerk's office, in the city of Dixon, Lee county, Illinois, until 1 o'clock p. m. of Tuesday the 20th day of February A. D. 1900, and will be publicly opened by Board of local improvements at a meeting to be held at said City Clerk's office at 2 o'clock p. m. of said day.

The work for which said tenders are invited is the construction of cement sidewalks, and combination cement sidewalks, and curbs, in the said city of Dixon, upon and along the streets and avenues mentioned in Local Improvement ordiances Nos. One, Two, Three and Four, series of 1899, of said City of Dixon, of the dimensions and between the points therein mentioned, after the elimination therefrom of such walks or sidewalks and curbs or parts thereof as may have been constructed upon and along said streets and avenues by the owners of the lots or pieces of land fronting thereon within thirty days after the time at which the ordinances herein referred to took effect, as by statute in such case made and provided.

Each bid for this work must be accompanied by a certified check or cash for an amount not less than ten per centum of the aggregate of such proposal. All certified checks must be drawn upon some responsible bank doing business in the City of Dixon and must be payable to the order of the President of the Board of Local Improvements in his official capacity. Said cash or certified checks will be held by said Board of Local Improvements until all of the bids have been canvassed and the contract has been awarded and signed; the return of said check or cash, to the successful bidder, being conditioned upon his appearance within five days after having been notified of the award having been made to him or them, accompanied by his or their bondsmen, and executing a contract with said Board of Local Improvements for the completion of the work so awarded, and giving a bond satisfactory to said Board of Local improvements for the fulfillment of the contract for the completion of the work covered by this advertisement, in accordance with the terms of said contract and to the satisfaction of said Board of Local Improvements, and for maintenance of the said sidewalk, or combination cement sidewalk and curb, so constructed by said contractor for a period of five years next after the date and completion and acceptance of said work.

The payment for the work for which said tenders are invited is to be made in cash, to be payable as the work progresses, at the times and in the amounts to be prescribed by said Board of Local Improvements, reserving, however, a sufficient amount to properly secure the faithful performance of such contract.

No bid will be considered unless the party making it shall furnish evidence satisfactory to said Board of Local Improvements of his experience and ability in this class of work and that he can control sufficient capital to enable him to successfully prosecute the same in case the contract therefor shall be awarded to him. Specifications may be obtained at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Dixon from and after this date.

The board of local improvements reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Dated at Dixon, Illinois, this 10th day of February' A. D. 1900.

The Board of Local Improvements of the City of Dixon, Illinois, by

F. A. TRUMAN, President.

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d&w DONALD F. HAYDEN.

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